

"Eye on AMC" U.S. Army Materiel Command

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Depot destroys last GB nerve agent rocket

Workers at the Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility achieved a significant milestone by safely destroying the last of 91,442 GB (sarin) nerve agent rockets and warheads originally stockpiled at the Umatilla Chemical Depot, Ore. on Aug. 9. With the GB rockets gone, plus completion of two GB bomb campaigns earlier this year, public risk of continued storage of chemical weapons at the depot has been reduced by more than 90 percent.

"I'm extremely proud of Team Umatilla's effort during the past two years," said Lt. Col. Donna Rutten, UMCD commander. "The team's dedication to safety and our complex mission remains high as we work to reduce storage risk to the public."

AMC announces its Ten Outstanding Personnel of the Year for 2005

The U.S. Army Materiel Command recently selected its "Ten Outstanding Personnel of the Year" for 2005. Each year, AMC selects ten employees, both military and civilian, who stand out as model employees. These ten employees beat out 53 other employees for this honor.

Nominees are judged on how their initiatives measurably improve their work environment and AMC's mission, how they motivate and inspire fellow employees to improve or increase the quality of their own work, and how well they are viewed by peers, subordinates, and superiors.

The winners, listed by major subordinate command, are: Headquarters, U.S. Army Materiel Command, Sally A. George; U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Life Cycle Management Command, Robert S. Mione; U.S. Army Field Support Command, Jolene J. Hoffman, Michael S. Kelly, and Victoria H. Kim; U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command, Betty Davis, Thomas M. Kendall and Reynolds R. Skaggs; and U.S. Army TACOM Life Cycle Management Command, Perry A. Cushman and James L. Hugar.

Immediate changes in reenlistment options and bonuses

The Army has met its annual Regular Army fiscal year 2006 retention mission for "Initial-Term" and "Career" categories but has spent 95 percent of its retention funds for the fiscal year. Therefore, effective Aug. 7, Policy Message 06-11 temporarily restricts reenlistment options for Initial-Term and Career Soldiers while expanding options for Mid-Career Soldiers which means that only Mid-Career Soldiers can receive reenlistment bonuses. The message will expire on Sept. 30.

An Initial-Term Soldier is serving on the initial enlistment, a Mid-Career Soldier is serving on second or subsequent enlistment and has less than 10 years of active federal service at the expiration term of service and a Career Soldier has more than 10 years of active federal service at the expiration term of service.

For more information contact your servicing Career Counselor or the AMC Retention office at 703-806-8216 to learn how this policy change affects you.

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Under the general schedule, a position is classified by pay plan, occupational series and grade (ex. GS-343-11). Under NSPS, a position is first assigned to a career group, then classified by pay schedule, occupational code and pay band (ex. YA-343-2). For more information on NSPS, visit http://www.cpms.osd.mil/nsps/index.html

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